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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Madison Gas and Electric Company for a
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for
Construction of a Large Electric Generating Facility and
Associated High Voltage Transmission and Natural Gas
Interconnection Facilities Located in Dane County

05-CE-121

NOTICE OF PROCEEDING

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider Madison Gas and Electric Company's (MGE) application of June 14, 2002, for authority under Wis. Stat. § 196.491(3) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 111.53 to construct a 150 MW electric generating facility on the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW). A prehearing conference will be scheduled at a later date. The schedule for accepting requests for intervenor status and intervenor compensation applications will be set at the prehearing conference by the Administrative Law Judge.

MGE, an investor-owned electric and natural gas public utility as defined in Wis. Stat. § 196.01(5)(a), provides electric service in Madison and the surrounding Dane County area and natural gas service in Madison and the surrounding area in Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Iowa, Juneau, Monroe, and Vernon Counties.

The proposed facility would be a combined-cycle electric generating facility that is capable of operating in a cogeneration mode. The facility would provide electric energy to MGE, and steam and chilled water to the UW. The facility would consist of two combustion turbine generators, two heat recovery steam generators, a steam turbine generator, and electrically operated chiller equipment. The facility would have a net electrical generating capacity of 150 MW. It would be capable of producing 500,000 pounds of steam per hour and 50,000 tons of chilled water capacity.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

This is a Type I project under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(1). The PSC and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will jointly prepare an Environmental Impact

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Statement. Persons wishing to comment on the environmental aspects of the proposed project should contact Ken Rineer at (608) 267-1201. A hearing will be scheduled at a later date.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Other questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Carol A. Stemrich at (608) 266-8174.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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